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Dear Sir:

This amendment and request for continued examination (RCE) is in response to the Final Office Action dated July 8, 2005 and is being filed within six months thereof and is accompanied by a request for a three month extension of time. The present amendment is being filed in accordance with revised rule 37 CFR 1.121. Thus, marked-up amendments to the claims and/or specification are provided and no clean versions of the amendments are provided.

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